tional and trans-national firms for setting up of industries in the country;

(b) whether the Government of Karnataka have sent any proposal during 1991-92 offering facilities for receiving such foreign investments in Bangalore city, which has excellent potential for the purpose; and

(c) if so, the action taken by the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) Yes, Sir. The foreign Investment Promotion Board has been constituted to invite and facilitate investment in India by international companies in projects which are considered to be of benefit to the India economy.

(b) and (c). The Chief Minister of Karnataka has written to the Prime Minister that, while considering proposals of international firms for investment in the country, the locational advantages of Karnataka be kept in view and the Foreign Investment Promotion Board should be advised accordingly.

Modalities for Compensation Disbursement to Bhopal Gas Victims

5525. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has appointed a Committee under the Chairmanship of the Union Finance Minister to lay down the directives on modalities for compensation disbursement to Bhopal Gas Victims.

(b) if so, whether the guidelines have since been laid down and the committee submitted its report;

(c) whether a survey of three locolities showed a large majority of the gas exposed population had not been covered by the surveys and Claims registration procedures initiated by the Government;

(d) whether the studies conducted by the Indian Council for Medical Research had also documented the gas related ailments of children and the Directorate of Gleams, Madhya Pradesh had refused to register their claims for personal demagoes denying the compensation to over 1,00,000 postdisaster gas affected children; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No survey has been ordered by the Central Government.

(d) and (e) All persons affected by the Gas leak are eligible to file claims for compensation which will be awarded to them after due adjudication. The claims can be filed with the Directorate of Claims, Government of Madhya Pradesh or with the Welfare Commissioner.

Import of Oil Seeds

5526. DR. D. VENKATSWARA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to import oil seeds instead of edible oil;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the amount proposed to be spent thereon?